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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-9, the following remarks are submitted with respect to the above-identified U.S. patent application:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.